

A Christmas Gathering

A notable Christmas gathering was held at 116 South Jersey street at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Jencks, and of a total of 42 members of their family 34 were present. A large Christmas tree profusely decorated and filled with gifts was the most conspicuous object in sight, but each member of the gathering must sing, recite, or deliver a speech before the presents were to be distributed.

The grandchildren did themselves proud and were called on to substitute for the elder generation, so the program was filled with much laughter and clapping of hands and barking by little Trixy. Mr. H. H. Jencks, wife and grandaids, passed out the presents and little ones delivered them and soon the tree, so conspicuous in its glitter and pride, was denuded of all grandeur, but thankful for all the hearts made happy by its generous gifts. When will dinner be served, was the next general question, but Santy was strictly on the job, and behold a great turkey, three geese, cranberry sauce, cakes and pies by

dozen, mashed potatoes, celery, tea and coffee, and everything desired by every guest, and room for all around this festive board, and seated, the grandaids blessed the refreshments and asked God's blessing to guide and guard his loved ones safely until another Christmas. The real enjoyment of the day was on and soon clothing must be loosened and regrets at the small capacity of their stomachs were on all sides, so the largest grandson gaily bounced the regretful ones until they were fully satisfied, and with much laughter and jest the Christmas dinner of 1919 had passed on, leaving destruction and bones and crumbs in sight, but probable pains will keep its memory green for days to come.

The children are off to the movie and the elders call up memories of other Christmas gatherings and at 10 o'clock, with hearts filled with thankfulness and praise for all good and perfect gifts, the day closed with peace on earth, good will toward men. There is always one princess present of every Christmas gathering and she was conspicuous here. May her heart always sing with joy, and may truth and high ideals be her

guide throughout life.
Mr. W. H. Jencks with wife and four children recently arrived from Oklahoma where he owns a stock and grain ranch, and Mr. Charles Jencks, with wife and seven children, are on the road from Oklahoma by auto for St. Johns. May the father and mother greet every one of their numerous family another Christmas.—Reported.

Up in the Clouds

Twinkle twinkle, little spud, As among the clouds you seud; You are doubtless feeling gay, Chasing 'round the milky way. You have reached to such a height, You are surely out of sight; Like a diamond you do seem, In your price—and that's no dream.

Twinkle on, another twink, And you'll drive us all to drink; As we chase for needful moon, You go sailing 'round the sun. As you wink your shriveled eye Up there somewhere in the sky, Little tater, On my word! As a flyer, you're a bird.

Spud so mighty, tho so small, You make diggers of us all. Farmers dig you with a hoe While we have to dig for dough.

If you keep on, I'll be bound! You'll bring bullion pound for pound; You'll fulfill the adage old, That you're worth your weight in gold.

Tater, since the coop you flew, We have only longed for you; That our fireside you forsook Broke our heart and pocket book.

Never felt how you could love 'Till you left and went above; Never felt how dear you were, 'Till we paid four dollars per.

Small potato, please come back, In our lives there's such a lack; For your presence we so pine That our stomach hits our spine.

We are tired of eating greens, Stewed prunes, sauerkraut and beans; 'Tis for you alone we yearn, Darling tater please return.

—Contributed.

For Sale for a Short Period

My home number, 929 N. Syracuse street. The ground is 50x100 and has seven fruit trees in bearing. The house has six good rooms and an extra dormer that may be used for a bed room. Full cement basement with wash trays; an economical furnace that heats the whole house. Bath room; bed rooms all have proper closets. The place has always been kept in excellent repair and during the past summer was tinted and painted inside. This is a proposition that is near the St. Johns Terminal, within walking distance and in line with an advance in price as the Terminal progresses. The premises may be inspected by applying to the owner or to Mr. Downey, the neighbor just north of the house. W. H. BONHAM.

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